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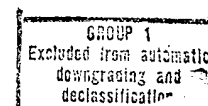
1. In 1956, the 34th Antiaircraft Artillery Regiment was stationed in Ghimbav, near Brasov, and was commanded by Colonel Ivan Iliescu. Other officers of the regiment included Captain Ivan Gavrilesu and Lieutenant Ilie Dobrescu. The regiment was equipped with 76-mm and 85-mm guns, but it expected to receive 100-mm guns at a later date. [REDACTED]

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2. In 1958, the 188th Antiaircraft Artillery Regiment was stationed on Stefan Gheorghe St. in Ploesti and was commanded by Major Emil Sirbu. [REDACTED]

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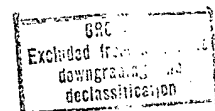
The 188th

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regiment belonged to the 4th or 6th Antiaircraft Artillery Corps, which was responsible for air space defense of the Ploesti region. The operational headquarters of the corps was located in a forest, in a number of deep bunkers, along the Ploesti-Sinaia road near the village of Paulesti. The 188th regimental headquarters, i. e. the command and fire control point, was located at a villa about four kilometers north of Ploesti, on the Ploesti-Brasov road. Regimental command consisted of about 35 to 40 soldiers, including radar operators for the SON radar sets.

3. The 188th regiment had been equipped exclusively with 37-mm guns until 1957, at which time all the pieces in the batteries were changed to 57-mm guns, which operated in coordination with the SON radar. The regiment had six batteries, each with eight 57-mm guns; these were deployed in the antiaircraft defense ring around Ploesti, at about a five-kilometer radius of the city.
4. In late 1958, organic changes were instituted in the Ploesti Antiaircraft Defense Corps, as a result of which only three batteries of the 188th regiment remained in their firing positions.

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The equipment of the other three batteries was placed in the emergency stores of the regiment. The change was apparently connected with the general manpower cut in the Rumanian Army at the time.

5. Regimental commander Sirbu was subsequently replaced by Captain Marcus (Fnu).

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SUBJECT : Miscellaneous Military Units

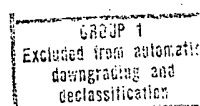
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1. In 1958 the 271st Mortorized Infantry Regiment [redacted] was stationed in Bucharest. The regiment was subordinate to the Tudor Vladimirescu Division.
2. In August 1959 the headquarters of a regiment [redacted] of the railroad troops was stationed in Aiud. Companies of this regiment carried out track maintenance work in the Aiud, Resita, and Prundul areas.
3. In 1960 a pontoon battalion [redacted] of the engineer troops was stationed at Cetatea Dols in Craiova Province, and was commanded by Captain Petre Dascalu. Because the battalion did not have any pontoons, the soldiers did seasonal work at the collective farms in the area.

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In 1960 the Gherla Prison was organized as a military unit [redacted]
[redacted] of the Ministry of Interior. Only political prisoners
were interned at the prison and, in 1960, they numbered about
4500. Among the prisoners were Air Force Colonel Pintilescu
(fnu), who had attempted a defection in a military aircraft, and
Professor Gheorghe Kardas, a university teacher.

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